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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S COMMUNICATION

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Sir:

In response to the Communication from the Examiner dated October 23, 1996, please consider the following remarks. In the Restriction Requirement dated March 28, 1996, the Examiner requested that a single sequence search motif be elected as a species. The Examiner indicated in his Communication that Applicants were non-responsive to the Restriction Requirement in the Supplemental Preliminary Amendment filed on September 19, 1996. In this regard the Examiner's attention is directed to the Response to Restriction Requirement filed on August 27, 1996, electing the ALLMOTI5 sequence search motif species.

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Applicants believe that the response filed on August 27, 1996, electing the ALLMOTI5 sequence motif was responsive to the Restriction Requirement, but if the Examiner should not agree, Applicants elect herein the ALLMOTI5 sequence search motif species.

Entry of the foregoing remarks is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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